(c) if not, whether Government will consider it shortly to improve it keeping in view the importance of the airport?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. Airports Authority of India (AAI) has plans to construct a new airconditioned terminal building at a cost of Rs. 24.58 crores with modern amenities to cater to 500 passengers at a time and to extend runway from 6000' to 7500' suitable for AB-320 class of aircraft without load penalty at a cost of Rs. 20 crores.

Renaming of Airports

†3225. SHRI SATISHCHANDRA SITARAM PRADHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state the details of the airports in the country, the names of which have been changed during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): Following airports have been renamed as per the details given below:—

(a) Patna Airport as Jaya Prakash Narayan airport on 22-12-1996;

(b) Udaipur Airport as Maharana Pratap airport on 28-8-1997;

(c) Bhubaneswar Airport as Biju Patnaik airport on 17-04-1998;

(d) Guwahati airport as Lokapriya Gopinath Bordolai airport on 23-08-1998;

(e) Ahmedabad airport as Sardar Vallabbhai Patel International airport on 07-12-1998;

(f) Mumbai Airport as Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport on 31-03-1999;

(g) At Hyderabad Airport, on 17-06-1999, the old Terminal Building was named as N.T. Rama Rao Terminal and the new Terminal Building commissioned in March, 1997 as Rajiv Gandhi Terminal and

(h) Government approved on 16-03-2000 the renaming of Ranchi Airport as Birsa Munda airport.

Performance of Cochin Airport

3226. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

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